

Rec'd PCT/PTO 08 JAN 2002



PATENT

HSH

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Siepel et al.,

Examiner: Unassigned

Serial No: 09/936,621

Group Art Unit: Unassigned

Filing Date: September 11, 2001

Docket: 294-109 PCT/US

Confirmation No.: 7146

Date: December 10, 2001

For: INGREDIENTS FOR
EXPANDED FOODS

I hereby certify this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postpaid in an envelope, addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231
December 10, 2001

Signature: D. Bayer

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In order to ensure that the following references will be printed on the patent of the above-identified application, if allowed, Applicants submit herewith the following Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98. The Notification of Missing Requirements, dated October 25, 2001, indicates that a copy of the International Search Report has already been submitted.

UNITED STATES PATENTS

<u>PATENT NUMBER</u>	<u>ISSUE DATE</u>	<u>PATENTEE</u>
5,652,010	July 29, 1997	Gimmler et al.
5,523,106	June 4, 1996	Gimmler et al.
4,634,596	January 6, 1987	James E. Eastman



FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENT

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>PATENT NO.</u>	<u>PUBLICATION DATE</u>
EPO	565 386 A	October 13, 1993
EPO	304 401 A	February 22, 1989

NON-PATENT PUBLICATION

1. Hovenkamp-Hermelink, J.H.M. et al. "Isolation of an amylose-free starch mutant of the potato (*Solanum tuberosum L.*)" *Theor. Appl. Genet.* 75:217-221 (December 1987).

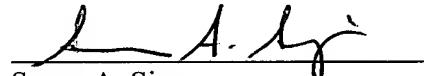
A separate listing of all the references has been set forth on the enclosed form PTO-1449. Copies of the references are also enclosed.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider these references in their entirety, and to indicate that he or she has done so by initialing the enclosed Patent and Trademark Office Form 1449.

In view of the present submission, it is believed that the present application is in all respects complete and in condition for examination and favorable consideration. If the Examiner has any questions relating to the present application he or she is invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

Applicants do not believe that any fees are due. However, if any fees are due, please deduce such sum from Deposit Account No. 08-2461.

Respectfully submitted,


Susan A. Sipos
Registration No.: 43,128
Attorney for Applicant(s)

HOFFMANN & BARON, LLP
6900 Jericho Turnpike
Syosset, New York 11791
(516) 822-3550
SAS/dlb
146007

Rec'd PTO Sheet 1 of 1
08 JAN 2002



FORM PTO-1449 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
(Rev. 2-32) PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use several sheets if necessary)

ATTY. DOCKET NO.
294-109 PCT/US

SERIAL NO.
09/936,621

APPLICANT
Siepel et al.

CONFIRMATION NO.
7146

FILING DATE
September 11, 2001

GROUP
Unassigned

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		5,652,010	07/29/97	Gimmler et al.			
		5,523,106	06/04/96	Gimmler et al.			
		4,634,596	01/06/87	Eastman			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB CLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO
		565386A	10/13/93	EPO				
		304401A	02/22/89	EPO				

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

		Hovenkamp-Hermelink, J.H.M. et al. "Isolation of an amylose-free starch mutant of the potato (<i>Solanum tuberosum L.</i>)" <i>Theor. Appl. Genet.</i> 75:217-221 (December 1987)
--	--	---

EXAMINER

DATE CONSIDERED

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication with applicant.